

## FACT SHEET

### NO COST TESTING OF YOUR UST SYSTEMS

<b>Introduction</b>	Your facility has been selected to participate in a Field-Based Research project to test underground storage tanks (UST). The project was initiated in response to a legislative mandate in Senate Bill 989, signed by Governor Davis in October 1999.	
<b>Purpose</b>	<p>The purpose of this project is to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ field test the effectiveness of the new and upgraded UST systems and</li> <li>▪ identify whether UST components are leaking.</li> </ul>	
<b>Testing method</b>	<p>The Tracer Tight® test method will be used by Tracer Research Corporation to test selected tank systems. Tracer Tight® is an innovative technology with proven sensitivity to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ assess the integrity of a UST system and</li> <li>▪ identify the location of a potential release from a UST system.</li> </ul> <p>This method is third party certified and has been successfully used for ten years.</p>	
<b>Scope of the project</b>	<p>A total of 180 facilities in six areas of the state will be tested during the next two years. Your facility has been selected through a random computer drawing of tank owners in your county to have your underground storage tank systems tested as a part of the Field-Based Research project.</p> <p>Testing in the Sacramento/Yolo area is expected to begin after October 15, 2000.</p> <p>Participants need to know that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ the project is funded by the State of California,</li> <li>▪ there is no cost to the participant for the UST testing, and</li> <li>▪ as a tank owner, you will be responsible for any repairs, including associated costs, to your UST system resulting from identification of leaking component(s).</li> </ul>	
<b>Benefits</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Your involvement in this project will provide assurance that your UST systems are installed properly and are working as designed. Early detection and repair of a leaking system will reduce not only the amount of damage done to the environment, but the cleanup-related expenses as well.</li> <li>▪ The testing done for the Field-Based Research project satisfies the State requirements for “enhanced” leak detection of tank facilities with a single-walled component(s) within 1,000 feet of a public drinking water well.</li> </ul>	
<b>Enclosures</b>	To familiarize you with the project, we have enclosed the following:	
	▪ a fact sheet,	
	▪ a summary of the project tasks,	▪ literature from Tracer Research,
	▪ a question and answer sheet, and	▪ an “Access Agreement”.
<b>Test Schedule</b>	<p>To participate and be notified of the test schedule, please:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ sign the “Access Agreement” form and</li> <li>▪ return the signed form to:</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">Mary Allen (Drewry) State Water Resources Control Board Underground Storage Tank Program 1001 I Street, 17<sup>th</sup> Floor Sacramento, CA 95814</p> <p>The “Access Agreement” will be forwarded to Tracer Research so they can contact you to schedule the testing at your facility.</p>	
<b>Questions</b>	<p>Mary Allen (Drewry) or a staff member from the State Water Resources Control Board will be calling you within the next week to answer any questions you may have. You may contact Ms. Allen directly at (916) 227-4483 or after October 16, 2000 at (916) 341-5872.</p>	